

## **METHODS TO INCREASE STUDENTS' INTEREST IN UKRAINIAN AS FOREIGN LANGUAGE**

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Law on Higher Education of Ukraine provides introduction of a state language as basic for foreigners and carrying out External Independent Testing (EIT). For this reason students have to study a certain quantity of linguistic concepts and grammatical rules and also they have to be fluent in a conversational practice and written state language and use it in different life situations.

According to the current investigations, teachers of Ukrainian as foreign language give considerable part of program material in standard form which leads to mechanical learning of lexical material and grammatical rules. Such way to gain knowledge isn't effective from the practical point of view. First of all foreigners must completely understand new language material and all explanations made by teacher, and only after that they should consciously study given language.

It is proved that principle of novelty has to be an indispensable condition of a modern language study and every next lesson should be different from previous one. This will increase foreign student's interest in studied language, inspire imagination and mental processes. It can be a game lesson, a competition lesson or a traditional lesson with non-standard elements. Various grammatical games, linguistic fairy tales, interesting exercises also give the opportunity to develop and enrich foreigners' lexicon, to deepen knowledge, to solidify learned material.

As experience confirms, a game is useful when it interconnected with serious persistent work. It shouldn't distract attention of students from study, but activate mental processes. Such technique could increase students' interest. It helps foreigners to better understand difficult aspects of language study.

Summing up, it should be noted that teachers are recommended to compose lessons of Ukrainian as foreign language in the following way: each lesson should promote comprehensive development of students with the help of modern techniques, deepen their knowledge and improve conversational practice skills. As a result it provokes aspiration to study all aspects of Ukrainian language.

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